GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4484
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FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE
MONI KUMAR SUBBA

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that foot and mouth disease is spreading in the cattle of Assam;

(b) if so, whether the Government have obtained a report about the latest situation about spread of epidemic amongst the cattle of the area;

(c) if, so the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the Union Government to curb the spread of the epidemic ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) Foot and Mouth Disease occurs in Assam.

(b) The report about the latest situation on the spread of the disease has been obtained from the State.

(c) As per the information received from the State Government, a total of 12157 number of animals were affected in 246 villages causing 28 deaths during the year 2001.

(d) Based on the proposal received from the State Government, a sum of Rs. 20.00 lakhs was revalidated during 2001-2002 for vaccinating cattle against Foot and Mouth Disease.